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**Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Affairs**  
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Phil Paradice in his capacity as acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regional Affairs directs and supervises the activities of the Economic Development Administration's (EDA) Office of Regional Affairs, including the Performance and National Programs Division and all six EDA Regional Offices. EDA's Regional Offices are responsible for program delivery of investments that fulfill the agency's mission of leading the federal economic development agenda by promoting competitiveness and preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy.

Additionally, he serves as Regional Director of EDA's Atlanta Regional Office where he is responsible for the efficient and effective implementation of EDA's programs in Atlanta's eight-state Southeastern service area. His staff actively fosters entrepreneurship, innovation, productivity and competitiveness in the global marketplace through EDA's investments in infrastructure development, capacity building and business development. He advocates development and implementation of locally-driven strategies that facilitate higher-skill, higher-wage jobs and private investment.

His work in response to sudden and severe economic dislocations, such as from natural disasters or losses in employment due to plant closures and lay-offs, has been recognized on three occasions by receipt of the U.S. Department of Commerce Silver Medal Award, the Department's second highest honor. He has been appointed to lead numerous Agency-wide task forces on policy, procedure, regulation and legislative issues.

Phil's public and private sector experience includes service with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as a supervisory liquidation specialist where he marketed and sold failed bank loans and real estate assets; vice president of a nonprofit trade association representing the financial services industry, providing educational, membership and legislative representation services to its membership and managing its for-profit subsidiary; and as a vice president of marketing of a Wall Street investment banking firm affiliate specializing in financial institution mergers and acquisitions, due diligence, and consulting services.

A native of Atlanta, Phil is a graduate of Georgia Tech and received his MBA majoring in Finance from Georgia State University.